

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

February 12, 2019
1:00 PM

Senate Finance Room 451-M

Pursuant to the call of Chairman Maroney, the Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources met on February 12, 2019 at 1:00 PM in the Senate Finance Room, 451-M.

Silent roll call was taken. There being twelve (12) members present, a quorum was established. Present were Chairman Maroney, Vice-Chairman Tarr, Senator Azinger, Senator Maynard, Senator Palumbo, Senator Plymale, Senator Prezioso, Senator Roberts, Senator Rucker, Senator Stollings, Senator Takubo, and Senator Weld.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who introduced a motion to approve the minutes held February 7, 2019. The minutes were approved.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 546 relating to health care provider taxes.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that Senate Bill 546 be reported with recommendation to pass, but under the original double reference, first to be referred to the Committee on Finance. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 545 relating to HIV testing.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that Senate Bill 545 be reported with recommendation to pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 348 and the proposed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 348 relating to tobacco usage restrictions.

Counsel Dellinger responded to questions from the committee.

With leave of the committee, Erin Ross (a student at Capitol High School in Charleston, a Raze Crew Member, and Tobacco 21 Ambassador), was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee regarding SB348.

With leave of the committee, Charles F. Whitaker III, MD, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee regarding SB348.

With leave of the committee, Catherine C. Slemp, DHHR, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB348.

Chairman Maroney presented the question to the Committee for agreement upon the Committee Substitute. All voted in favor of the Committee Substitute and it was adopted.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that the Committee Substitute to Senate Bill 348 be reported with recommendation to pass, but under the original double reference, first to be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 489 and the proposed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 489 relating to Pharmacy Audit Integrity Act.

Counsel Dellinger responded to questions from the committee.

With leave of the committee, Lauran Rauley, Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB489.

With leave of the committee, Matt Walker of Walker & Stevens, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB489.

With leave of the committee, Richard Stevens, Executive Director of West Virginia Pharmacists Association, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee regarding SB489.

With leave of the committee, Joe Letnaunchyn, CEO of WV Hospital Association, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB489.

With leave of the committee, Jeremiah Samples, Deputy Secretary of DHHR, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB489.

Chairman Maroney presented the question to the Committee for agreement upon the Committee Substitute. All voted in favor of the Committee Substitute and it was adopted.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that the Committee Substitute to Senate Bill 489 be reported with recommendation to pass, but under the original double reference, first to be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Vice-Chairman Tarr moved to adjourn. Chairman Maroney put the question on the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Maroney, Chairman

Terri Varney, Committee Clerk/Analyst